

State of Utah DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND MINING

INSPECTION REPORT

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801-359-3940 (Fax) 801-538-7223 (TDD) Partial:_ Complete: XXX Exploration:_ Inspection Date & Time: 8/18/99 / 8:00a.m.-3:00p.m. Date of Last Inspection: 7/12/99

Mine Name: Bear Canyon Mine County: Emery Permit Number: ACT/015/025						
Permittee and/or Operator's Name: Co-Op Mining Company						
Business Address: P. O. Box 1245, Huntington, Utah 84528						
Type of Mining Activity: Underground XXX Surface Prep. Plant Other						
Company Official(s): Charles Reynolds						
State Officials(s): Peter Hess Federal Official(s): None						
Weather Conditions: Hot, Dry						
Existing Acreage: Permitted-1032.75 Disturbed-24 Regraded-0 Seeded-0 Bonded-24						
Increased/Decreased: Permitted Disturbed Regraded Seeded Bonded						
Status: _Exploration/_XXX_Active/Inactive/_ Temporary Cessation/_ Bond Forfeiture						
Reclamation (_Phase I/_Phase II/_Final Bond Release/_Liabilityyear)						

REVIEW OF PERMIT, PERFORMANCE STANDARDS & PERMIT CONDITION REQUIREMENTS

Instructions

- Substantiate the elements on this inspection by checking the appropriate performance standard.
- a. For <u>complete inspections</u> provide narrative justification for any elements not fully inspected unless element is not appropriate to the site, in which case check N/A.

b. For <u>partial inspections</u> check only the elements evaluated.

- 2. Document any noncompliance situation by referencing the NOV issued at the appropriate performance standard listed below.
- 3. Reference any narratives written in conjunction with this inspection at the appropriate performance standard listed below.
- 4. Provide a brief status report for all pending enforcement actions, permit conditions, Division Orders, and amendments.

		EVALUATED	N/A	COMMENTS	NOV/ENF
1.	PERMITS, CHANGE, TRANSFER, RENEWAL, SALE	[XX]	[]	[]	[]
2.	SIGNS AND MARKERS	XX	П	$\overline{[XX]}$	Ti
3.	TOPSOIL	$\overline{[XX]}$	П	[]	T T
4.	HYDROLOGIC BALANCE:		_		-
a.	DIVERSIONS	[XX]	f 1	[]	. [1
b.	SEDIMENT PONDS AND IMPOUNDMENTS	XX	Π	$\overline{[XX]}$	11
c.	OTHER SEDIMENT CONTROL MEASURES	XXI	П	[]	Ti .
d.	WATER MONITORING	ĪΧΧĪ		$\overline{\overline{x}}\overline{x}$	īī
e.	EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS	XX	īī	[]	Ti
5.	EXPLOSIVES	[XX] [XX]	īī	П	· []
6.	DISPOSAL OF EXCESS SPOIL/FILLS/BENCHES		\overline{XX}		Π
7.	COAL MINE WASTE/REFUSE PILES/IMPOUNDMENTS		XXI	Ī	Π
8.	NONCOAL WASTE	$\overline{[XX]}$		Ī	口
9.	PROTECTION OF FISH, WILDLIFE AND		_		_
	RELATED ENVIRONMENTAL VALUES	[XX]	\Box		
0.	SLIDES AND OTHER DAMAGE		\overline{XX}	\Box	\Box
1.	CONTEMPORANEOUS RECLAMATION	$\widetilde{\Box}$	XX	Π	П
2.	BACKFILLING AND GRADING		XX	\Box	П
3.	REVEGETATION	īī	[XX]	ĪĪ	Π
4.	SUBSIDENCE CONTROL	$\overline{[XX]}$			\Box
5.	CESSATION OF OPERATIONS		\overline{XX}	\Box	ΞĪ
6.	ROADS:				
a.	CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE/SURFACING	[XX]	\Box	П	\Box
b.	DRAINAGE CONTROLS	XX	\Box	$\overline{[XX]}$	Π
7.	OTHER TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES	[XX]			ĪĪ
8.	SUPPORT FACILITIES/UTILITY INSTALLATIONS	$\overline{\mathbf{X}}$	\Box	\Box	\Box
9.	AVS CHECK (4th Quarter-April, May, June)(date)	XXI	\Box	\Box	Π̈
20.	AIR QUALITY PERMIT	XX	Π	$\overline{[XX]}$	\Box
21.	BONDING & INSURANCE	<u>[XX]</u>	īī	[]	īī

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(Comments are Numbered to Correspond with Topics Listed Above)

2. SIGNS AND MARKERS

It appears that a couple of disturbed area perimeter markers are missing on the southern perimeter of sediment pond "C". Mr. Reynolds indicated that the markers would be reinstalled.

4b. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE: SEDIMENT PONDS AND IMPOUNDMENTS

Second quarter impoundment inspections for the site's three ponds were conducted by Mr. Miles Stephen's on June 25, 1999. There were no signs of instability or any other hazardous conditions reported. Today's field inspection did not reveal any problems.

4d. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE: WATER MONITORING

The second quarter water monitoring report for the Bear Canyon and Trail Canyon Mine sites was submitted to the SLO-UDNR/OGM in electronic format on August 5; a hard copy was submitted on 8/9/99.

UPDES discharge monitoring reports for the sites four ponds (pond "D" is relative to the Wild Horse Ridge project, and as yet has not been constructed) and the mine water discharge point were reviewed for the months of April, May, and June for submittal. None of the ponds had outfalls during the three month period. Mine water discharge point 004A had no exceedances for the same period. All submittals were timely.

16b. ROADS: DRAINAGE CONTROLS

Ditches which parallel the berms along most of the access roads at the site are once again showing a buildup of sediment within. The unusually wet summer which is once again occurring in the Carbon/Emery County area is requiring the permittee to perform ditch maintenance more frequently than normal. Loss of drainage control has not been a problem at the site for quite some time.

20. AIR QUALITY PERMIT

During today's field inspection, a front end loader was observed picking up coal processing reject for placement on a conveyor/crusher mechanism. The material was dry, and upon reaching the crushing mechanism, large volumes of dust were thrown into suspension. It was recommended to the permittee that the reject be wet either prior to handling or within the crusher hopper to reduce the dust emissions created by this process. The permittee uses the crushed reject for road building material in mine.

Note: This inspection report does not constitute an affidavit of compliance with the regulatory program of the Division of Oil, Gas, and Mining.

Copy of this Report:

Mailed to: <u>Charles Reynolds (Co-Op)</u> Henry Austin (OSM)
Given to: <u>Joe Helfrich (DOGM)</u> Filed to: <u>Price Field Office</u>

Date: August 27, 1999

Inspector's Signature: #46

Peter Hess